

C. S. J.

Wednesday September 4th 1776.

Council met. Present the same members as on yesterday.

Ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to John Thomas three pounds, nine shillings, for Subsist: of Flying Camp

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Joseph Gilpin for use of Tobias Rudolph eighteen pounds, three shillings for Waggonage.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Joseph Gilpin four pounds, nineteen shillings and seven pence for Waggonage.

Warrant was issued to Abraham Boyd to enroll fifty men for the Flying Camp.

Ordered That Western shore Treasurer pay to Captⁿ Boyd one hundred and thirty five pounds Currency.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Rob^t Wade nine pounds, thirteen shillings & eight pence for Mil^a duty.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Matt^w Traverse ninety four pounds for Militia duty.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Fra^s Bruesbank four pounds, ten shillings for Boatage.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to John Crandall three pounds, ten shillings for a Gun.

Ordered That said Treasurer pay to Henry Griffith thirty six shillings for subsist: of Flying Camp.

Adj^d 'till next day 10 o'Clock.

Original.

[J. A. Thomas to Council.]

May it please your Honours. Harlem 4th Sep^r 1776.

The unhappy situation of the Maryland Troops now here, makes it absolutely necessary that you should be acquainted with it, and also you might have received information from others, yet I think it my duty also (tho' low in office) to make you acquainted with it and I have not the least doubt but you will immediately apply a remedy. We have now and have had for some time a number of our men sick, a number very ill. I have had from fifteen to twenty of my men extremely ill and have not yet been able to procure them the least assistance. The Province have but two surgeons here, one of them very ill, and none can be procured here. From the best authority I can assure you we have at this time near two hundred men unfit for duty and most of them without any assistance from the Doctor. The neglect of the troops when sick discourages them more than any other circumstance, and I am convinced if it was generally known, would have the worst of consequences both as to recruiting for the Troops already raised or in raising new levies.